## RUSSELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION STATEMENT OF STUDENT DRUG, ALCOHOL, WEAPONS AND TOBACCO POLICY

## Anti Drug and Alcohol Policy

It is the goal of the Russell County Board of Education to provide a quality education for all students. In furtherance of this goal and to protect and promote the health, safety, and welfare of its students and employees, the Russell County Board of Education is committed to maintaining a drug and alcohol free public school system.

The use and possession of illicit drugs, alcohol, weapons, and tobacco is harmful and illegal. The Russell County Board of Education has adopted a Zero Tolerance Policy for the unauthorized possession, transfer, use or sale of tobacco, weapons, alcohol and drugs. Any student violating this policy will be subject to disciplinary actions.

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## **USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES**

Rules for Use of School Facilities 2. Use of tobacco is prohibited.

## SUSPENSION FROM SCHOOL

The Principal and his/her designee may suspend pupils for sufficient cause. The suspension may be for a period not to exceed eight (8) days.

e. Possession of, or under the influence of, unauthorized narcotics, alcohol, controlled substances, or any form of tobacco on school property or at school sponsored affairs

Parents, or the legal guardian, shall be notified of a suspension orally, immediately if possible. In addition, a written notice of suspension shall be mailed within twenty-four (24) hours to the parents or the guardian, outlining the cause for the suspension, the length of the suspension and the procedure for re-admission. After a suspension, no pupil shall be re-admitted without a parent conference and the Principal's or his/her designee's recommendation.

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